

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA



PROCLAMATION

Mentoring is one of the best youth development tools at our disposal. The supportive relationship it provides encourages students to explore hidden talents and work hard to realize their full potential. These young people are more likely to stay in school, earn better grades and avoid gangs and drugs.

From group and peer counseling to e-mentoring, new, innovative techniques are improving our youth outreach efforts. These additional methods for reaching young people have been adopted by neighborhood centers, schools, non-profit and faith-based organizations. The advances in this field, as well as the continued commitment of hundreds of Californians, have created even more enriching mentoring opportunities for our young citizens.

Our volunteers recognize the importance of investing in our children, and they have made California the proud home to the best mentoring programs in the nation. Today, we honor the people who offer their time to provide stable support for our children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim January 2006, as "California Mentoring Month."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 13 day of January 2006.

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Arnold Schwarzenegger
GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA
Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce McPherson".

Bruce McPherson
SECRETARY OF STATE

